

FINAL
Strathcona, Christie, Aspen Community Association (SCA)
Board Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2020

Board Attendance:

Maureen Smith, President
Kathy Underhill, Vice President
Karla Pollock, Secretary
Dave Bryan, Treasurer
Marlene Bainborough, Programs and Events
Shelley Bartole, Development, New Schools and Traffic
Carrie Ferguson, Development, New Schools and Traffic
Adam Schwartz, Development

Also in Attendance:

Meagan Ladouceur, Constituent Liaison, Councillor's Office Ward 6
James Runge, City of Calgary, Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator (NPC)

Item 1: Meeting Called to Order

Maureen called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

Item 2: Additions to Agenda

The Board briefly reviewed the agenda for concurrence.

Item 3: Approval of Past Minutes

Maureen requested a Motion from the Board to accept the Meeting Minutes from September 16, 2020. Motion made by Shelley Bartole. Seconded by Kathy Underhill. Motion carried.

Item 4: Councillor's Office Ward 6 Report - Meagan Ladouceur, Constituent Liaison

Meagan distributed a Summary of City of Calgary 311 Calls for the three neighbourhoods of Strathcona, Christie Park and Aspen for the period of September 1 to 31, 2020 and a Ward 6 Community Ward Report for October 2020 via email to all Board members prior to the meeting.

Meagan spoke on the following updates:

- Community fencing resident concerns discussed at a site meeting with City departments.
- Calgary Transit On Demand began October 13.
- Late payment penalty on Calgary Property Taxes paid after October 1 reduced from 7% to 3.5%
- Increase in property break-ins and theft in Ward 6.
- Residential speed limit voting going before City Council on November 2. Community feedback is welcome.

Item 5: President's Report - Maureen Smith

SCA 2020 Program Breakdown:

Shelley Lakatos, SCA Office Manager, distributed a 2020 Program Breakdown to all Board members via email prior to the meeting. Maureen reviewed the programs with the Board: Art, Tai Chi, Line Dancing, Bridge, Seniors Dance, Mah Jongg, Seniors Yoga

The breakdown detailed what was paid to the instructor, what was collected, profit/loss and number of participants per quarter. There was also a year-end summary of profit/loss.

Tennis Court Renovations Capital Conservation Grant (CCG) Extension:

Maureen shared that the recent SCA application for an extension of an awarded City of Calgary Capital Conservation Grant (CCG) to be used for the postponed tennis court renovations; now planned for the spring of 2021, was denied. An appeal has been submitted to the grant committee to reconsider their decision. Maureen will keep the Board updated on whether our appeal is successful and the next steps.

Parks Foundation Calgary Amateur Sport Grant and BILD Calgary Foundation Grant:

Maureen requested a Motion from the Board to submit applications for grants from Parks Foundation Calgary Amateur Sport and from BILD Calgary Foundation to be used toward the tennis court renovations planned for the spring of 2021. Motion made by Shelley Bartole. Seconded by Adam Schwartz. Motion carried.

Telus Donation:

Telus has offered the SCA \$2,000 as an appreciation to residents for recent neighbourhood cable construction. Maureen suggested that we apply that donation to paint pickleball lines on the tennis courts as it was not included in our original renovation quote.

Maureen requested a Motion from the Board to apply the \$2,000 donation from Telus toward painting pickleball lines on the tennis courts as part of the upcoming renovation. Motion made by Adam Schwartz. Seconded by Karla Pollock. Motion carried.

Item 6: Committee and Directors Reports

Vice President's Report – Kathy Underhill

Kathy expressed concern regarding the costs associated with office and building management in light of the reduced revenues and resulting deficit position. Operating costs in total need to be trimmed where ever possible. Board discussion and agreement to monitor cost reductions closely.

Treasurer's Report - Dave Bryan

Dave distributed a Treasurer's Report and the SCA Financial Statements for October 21, 2020. The contents being comments on the current status of Operating Revenue, a Comparative Income Statement with Net and Total Revenue and Expenses and a Comparative Balance Sheet as at September 30, 2020. Board discussion and agreement.

Maureen requested a Motion from the Board to approve the SCA Financial Statements for September 30, 2020. Motion made by Karla Pollock. Seconded by Shelley Bartole. Motion carried.

Development, Traffic and Schools - Shelley Bartole

In light of concerns with aging community perimeter fencing in parts of Strathcona and Aspen, Shelley attended a recent site meeting organized by the Ward 6 Councillor's Office. This strategy meeting was also attended by concerned area residents, Calgary Roads, Calgary Planning & Development and Calgary Community Standards/Bylaw.

Development, Traffic and Schools - Carrie Ferguson

Carrie reported that recent applications are primarily requests for home businesses. She suggested that the SCA consider skipthedeapot.ca for a fundraising idea.

Programs & Events - Marlene Bainborough

Marlene will be in discussion with Shelley Lakatos, SCA Office Manager, about current SCA Programs and Events. She acknowledged that the Covid 19 Pandemic continues to challenge any short-term and long-term plans.

Development - Adam Schwartz

Adam expressed interest in volunteering with the Rink Program.

Casino - Karla Pollock

Due to Covid 19 Pandemic delays, the next Casino fundraiser is expected to be held 6 months past the original planned date, which was the third quarter of 2021.

Item 7: City of Calgary Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator (NPC) - James Runge

James Runge reviewed his monthly NPC Report for the Board's consideration:

NPC Requests:

- Applications for Community Clean-up are open until November 20.
- Covid 19 Physical Distance signage will soon be available for the SCA outdoor rink (similar to City playground signage).
- The SCA should consider multi-language signage throughout the facility.

City of Calgary Organization Health Assessment:

The Organizational Health Assessment Tool (OHAT) and Service Measures surveys identify current organizational health, sustainability and services provided to the community. James registered SCA Board member responses to the surveys.

Item 8: Next Meeting

Board discussion and agreement for the next Board meeting to be on November 18, 2020 at 7:00pm.

Item 9: Meeting Called to Close

Maureen requested a Motion from the Board to adjourn the meeting at 8:37pm. Motion made by Karla Pollock. Seconded by Shelley Bartole. Motion carried.